



# WESTFORD NEWSLETTER

July 2015

## Westford Town Office

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## Town Office Notes

*Happy Independence Day!*

### July Recycling Pickup

There are 5 Wednesdays in July, which means there is **NO** recycle pick up on Wednesday, July 29<sup>th</sup>. This means there will be 2 weeks in between your last pickup in July and your first pickup in August. Please note your calendar.

### Senior Lunch

Senior Luncheons: Hello to all the youngsters age 55+. We are taking a break for the summer and are not having luncheons for July and August. We will be back in September, the second Monday of each month. The first luncheon will be September 14<sup>th</sup>. Have a wonderful summer and let's hope it's a warm one. We sure do deserve a good one after the cold winter we had. Carol Howrigan, President

### Town Office Hours

The Town Office will be closed **Friday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>** in observance of Independence Day.

**The Town Office will close at 1:00 p.m. on Fridays during the months of July and August.** Normal office hours will resume after Labor Day.

### Property Tax Bills

You should receive your 2015-2016 property tax bills no later than July 15<sup>th</sup>. If you do not receive your bill by this date, please contact the Town Office.

The first of four installments is due Monday, August 17<sup>th</sup>. Payments will be considered timely if they are received by this date, have an August 17<sup>th</sup> postmark (postal, FedEx, or UPS), or are in the drop box located to the left of the Town Office door before the office opens at 8:30am on Tuesday, August 18<sup>th</sup>. **If your taxes are escrowed, it is your responsibility to forward a copy of your tax bill to your mortgage company in a timely manner while retaining a copy for your records.**

In July, the State will send notification to homeowners explaining the 2015-2016 Education Tax Credit. If you are receiving a school tax adjustment, it will be reflected on your tax bill. You should compare the credit on the letter with the amount on your tax bill. **Due to State law, the credit is applied equally to each installment.**

### **TIMELY TAX PAYMENT CLARIFICATION**

**\*\*\*IMPORTANT POLICY CHANGE\*\*\***

The Town of Westford currently accepts postmarks (USPS, UPS & FedEx) for tax payments. Given the electronic age we are in, the Town occasionally receives checks directly from financial institutions after a taxpayer initiates the payment. This type of payment may be known as Bill Pay.

These payments are mailed to the Town directly from the financial institution however the envelope does not bear a postmark. **Effective July 1, 2015 the Town of Westford will acknowledge this type of payment based on the date the payment is received at the Town Office.**

The Town highly recommends that if you remit payment using this method, you contact your financial institution to determine the appropriate lead time to ensure your tax payment is timely.

## SPEED ENFORCEMENT

### **What the Town is doing:**

For several years the Town has allocated \$30,000 for traffic enforcement, primarily to combat speeding. In the past, the Town has split these funds, and contracted with both the State Police and the Chittenden County Sheriff Department for these services (\$15,000 each). First, we have been in touch with these agencies to encourage them to bolster their hours in order to utilize the entire contract amount for this fiscal year (ending June 30). As indicated in the Town Report, in past years, we haven't always utilized our full traffic enforcement budget. Second, for the upcoming fiscal year (FY15-16, July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016), the Selectboard decided to use the Sheriff Department exclusively for our traffic enforcement contract. Third, after discussions with the Sheriff Department, we are updating our contract to reflect our desire for focus on the Town roads with the highest volume of through traffic (e.g., Old Stage Rd, Woods Hollow Rd, Cambridge Rd, etc.), and for focus on the time of day when we see our heaviest traffic (e.g., morning and evening peaks). Even with this focus, they will still do enforcement on lower volume Town Roads and our two State highways (Route 128 & Route 15). The Sheriff Department has attended several of our meetings, and has been responsive to our requests and our observations about where we are seeing speeding issues. With that said, they are the law enforcement experts, so we'll continue to provide feedback without dictating how they do their speed patrols. Fourth, we are discussing using a portion of our traffic enforcement budget to purchase portable radar speed signs.

### **What residents can do:**

The Sheriff Department is very interested in getting tips about speeders from Westford residents. They cannot issue citations based on tips, but they can and do adjust their enforcement based on tips, including being actively on the lookout for problem vehicles/drivers. At our June 4 meeting, Sheriff Department personnel indicated that many speeders use a specific route regularly at a specific time of day - e.g., morning or evening commute time, after school time, etc. Residents are encouraged to report vehicle information (e.g., type and color; plate if possible) and incident information (e.g., location, day, time, estimated speed) to Town Office staff who will then forward it to the Sheriff Department. The Department has a good working relationship with our Town Office staff, hence the protocol above. With that said, residents can contact the Sheriff Department directly at 863-4341. Residents willing to allow Sheriff Department personnel the use of your driveway for patrolling purposes are encouraged to contact the Town Office (878-4587 or [townclerk@westfordvt.us](mailto:townclerk@westfordvt.us)) with your name, address, and phone number.

### **State Police:**

Regardless of our contract with the Sheriff Department, the Vermont State Police remain Westford's principal law enforcement agency. When residents dial 911 for law enforcement assistance, it will be the State Police that respond. Similarly, non-emergency questions about law enforcement matters should still be directed to the State Police at their Williston office at 878-7111. The State Police are still responsible for traffic enforcement on Route 128 and Route 15. While patrolling in Westford, the Sheriff Department can and will respond to other law enforcement issues (e.g., property check, suspicious persons), but their primary purpose under our contract is traffic enforcement.

## WESTFORD FARMERS' MARKET NEWS

The Farmers' Market will now be held on Mondays beginning June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 4-7pm. Please note this day change!

Farm to Family coupons (WIC) are accepted. For more information regarding shopping or selling, contact Laura Baum at [laurabaum108@yahoo.com](mailto:laurabaum108@yahoo.com).

## FRIENDLY REMINDERS

- **Burn permits** are needed prior to any burning. Burn permits are available online ([www.westfordvt.us](http://www.westfordvt.us)), from the Fire Warden (Dennis Angiono, 879-1231) or from the Town Office during regular office hours.
- **Yard waste**, such as leaves, brush and topsoil are not considered household garbage. You can compost yard waste or bring it to a participating Chittenden Solid Waste drop off center. For a list of centers please visit [www.cswd.net](http://www.cswd.net).
- **Metal items** can be put in the metal dumpster located at the town garage.
- **Hazardous waste materials** must be brought to a participating CSWD drop off center or the Rover.

## SEEKING TOWN AUDITOR

The Selectboard is accepting applications for the following position that was not filled at the 2015 Town Meeting elections:

**Town Auditor** – Town auditors play a vital role by ensuring that local officials are accountable for their expenditures of taxpayers' money. It is the auditors' job to review the accounts of local officials and report the findings directly to the taxpayers for review. For more information on the statutory responsibilities of a town auditor, please go to [http://vlct.org/assets/Resource/Handbooks/VLCT\\_Municipal\\_Auditors\\_Hndbk\\_2008.pdf](http://vlct.org/assets/Resource/Handbooks/VLCT_Municipal_Auditors_Hndbk_2008.pdf).

The auditors meet monthly to balance the bank statements and review accounts in preparation for the annual town report. Hours are flexible. This is a very part time position with hourly compensation.

Interested candidates must be a Westford resident and a registered voter. Please contact the Town Office for more information or an application. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

## WESTFORD CEMETERY REMINDERS

**Artificial flowers, glass containers and items with wire are NOT allowed** in any of the Westford cemeteries. They will be removed by cemetery officials. Also the **planting of trees and shrubs is NOT permitted**. There are signs posted in each cemetery.

Thank you for your cooperation,

Westford Cemetery Commission, Brookside Cemetery Commission, Pleasant View Cemetery Association

## THINKING ABOUT FLOOD INSURANCE?

This is a reminder that the Town of Westford is enrolled in the National Flood Insurance Program. This allows homeowners to purchase flood insurance at affordable rates. Please note that anyone can purchase flood insurance, whether your home is located in a flood hazard area or not. In fact twenty to twenty-five percent of all flood insurance claims come from *outside* of flood hazard areas. Contact your homeowner's insurance company about including flood insurance in your coverage.

## THE ROVER IS COMING TO TOWN!

The Rover will be accepting household hazardous waste in Westford  
**Saturday, July 26<sup>th</sup>, 9am-1pm** at the Town Garage

The Rover is a mobile household hazardous waste collection unit that hibernates at the Environmental Depot, CSWD's year round hazardous waste collection facility in South Burlington. While the Depot takes hazardous materials year round, the Rover will stop once in each town July 12 thru October 18. Please visit <http://cswd.net/hazardous-waste/rover/> for the complete schedule or call the Hotline at 872-8111.

The Rover accepts paints and stains, automotive fluids, hobby supplies, pesticides, fertilizers, household cleaners, and anything with the words "Danger," "Caution," "Warning," or "Poison" on the label.

# **\*\*\*NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING\*\*\***

## **WESTFORD LAND & DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS WESTFORD PLANNING COMMISSION - PUBLIC HEARING**

The Westford Planning Commission hereby provides notice of a public hearing being held pursuant to Title 24, Sections 4441 & 4444 of the Vermont State Statutes for the purpose of hearing public comment on: **Proposed Westford Land Use & Development Regulations.**

**The public hearing has been scheduled for:** Monday, July 20, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Westford Public Library, 1717 VT Route 128, Westford, Vermont.

**Purpose:** Hear public comment on the proposed Westford Land Use & Development Regulations.

**Table of Contents:** PART 1. GENERAL; Chapter 100. Legal Framework; Section 101. Enactment and Authority; Section 102. Purpose; Section 103. Applicability; Section 104. Effective Date; Section 105. Amendment; Section 106. Severability; Chapter 110. Exemptions & Limitations; Section 111. General Exemptions; Section 112. Agriculture & Silviculture; Section 113. Utility, Energy and Telecommunications Infrastructure; Section 114. Public Facilities; Section 115. Group Home; Chapter 120. Vested Rights & Existing Conditions; Section 121. Prior Permits or Approvals; Section 122. Filed Applications; Section 123. Pre-Existing Uses; Section 124. Existing Lots; Section 125. Nonconformities; Section 126. Abandonment and Discontinuance; Section 127. Incomplete Development; Section 128. Damaged or Destroyed Structures; Section 129. Demolition; PART 2. ZONING DISTRICTS & STANDARDS; Chapter 200. General Provisions; Section 201. Establishment of Zoning Districts; Section 202. Description of District Boundaries; Section 203. Interpretation of District Boundaries; Section 204. Principal Uses or Structures on a Lot; Section 205. Lots in More than One District; Chapter 210. Common (C) District; Section 211. Purpose; Section 212. Dimensional Standards; Section 213. Use Standards; Section 214. Planning and Design Standards; Chapter 220. Village (V) District; Section 221. Purpose; Section 222. Dimensional Standards; Section 223. Use Standards; Section 224. Planning and Design Standards; Chapter 230. Rural 3 (R3) District; Section 231. Purpose; Section 232. Dimensional Standards; Section 233. Use Standards; Section 234. Planning and Design Standards  
Chapter 240. Rural 5 (R5) District; Section 241. Purpose; Section 242. Dimensional Standards; Section 243. Use Standards; Section 244. Planning and Design Standards; Chapter 250. Rural 10 (R10) District; Section 251. Purpose; Section 252. Dimensional Standards; Section 253. Use Standards; Section 254. Planning and Design Standards; Chapter 260. Form-Based Code (FBC) Overlay District; Section 261. Purpose; Section 262. Applicability; Section 263. Planning and Design Standards; Chapter 270. Water Resources (WRO) Overlay District; Section 271. Purpose; Section 272. Application; Section 273. Permitted Uses; Section 274. Conditional Uses; Section 275. Prohibited Uses; Section 276. Planning and Design Standards; Chapter 280. Flood Hazard (FHO) Overlay District; Section 281. Purpose; Section 282. Compliance with State and Federal Law; Section 283. Exempt Uses; Section 284. Prohibited Uses; Section 285. Permitted Uses; Section 286. Conditional Uses; Section 287. Planning and Development Standards; Section 288. Administrative Procedures; Section 289. Definitions; PART 3. DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS; Chapter 300. Standards for Specific Uses; Section 301. Home Occupation; Section 302. Accessory Dwelling Units; Section 303. Adaptive Re-Use of Historic Barns; Section 304. Agricultural Enterprises; Section 305. Auto-Oriented Uses; Section 306. Movement of Earthen Material; Section 307. Wireless Telecommunications Facilities; Chapter 310. Subdivision & PUD Standards; Section 311. Basic Subdivision Design; Section 312. Common and Village Subdivision Design; Section 313. Rural Subdivision Design; Section 314. Planned Unit Development (PUD); Section 315. Fire Suppression Water Supply; Section 316. Legal Requirements; Chapter 320. Site Design & Engineering Standards; Section 321. Access and Circulation; Section 322. Parking and Service Areas; Section 323. Landscaping and Screening; Section 324. Outdoor Lighting; Section 325. Outdoor Display and Storage; Section 326. Signs; Section 327. Erosion Control and Stormwater Management; Section 328. Water and Wastewater Systems; Section 329. Natural Resource Protection; Chapter 330. Performance Standards; Section 331. Applicability; Section 332. Sound; Section 333. Vibration; Section 334. Airborne Particulates and Odors; Section 335. Hazards and Hazardous Waste; PART 4. ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES; Chapter 400. Authorization; Section 401. Administrative Officer; Section 402. Development Review Board; Section 403. Planning Coordinator; Section 404. Planning Commission; Section 405. Fees; Section 406. Site Visits and Inspections; Section 407. Surety; Section 408. As-Built Drawings and Designer Certifications; Section 409. Other Approvals, Permits or Certifications; Chapter 410. Zoning Permit Procedures; Section 411. Zoning Permit Required; Section 412. Applying for a Zoning Permit; Section 413. Reviewing a Zoning Permit Application; Section 414. Acting on a Zoning Permit Application;

Section 415. Zoning Permit Effect, Expiration and Extension; Section; 416. Inspection During Construction; Section 417. Zoning Permit Revocation; Section 418. Certificate of Occupancy; Section 419. Administrative Amendments; Chapter 420. Development Review Board Procedures; Section 421. Site Plan Review; Section 422. Conditional Use Review; Section 423. Appealing an Action or Decision by the Administrative Officer; Section 424. Waivers and Variances; Section 425. Combined Review; Section 426. Modification of Approved Plans; Chapter 430. Subdivision and PUD Procedures; Section 431. Applicability; Section 432. Boundary Line Adjustment and Lot Merger; Section 433. Deferred Approval; Section 434. Sketch Plan Review; Section 435. Master Plan Review; Section 436. Preliminary Plan Review; Section 437. Final Plan Review; Section 438. Filing Requirements; Chapter 440. Notice, Hearing & Decision Procedures; Section 441. Warning a Hearing; Section 442. Conducting a Hearing; Section 443. Recessing a Hearing; Section 444. Development Review Board Decisions Section 445. Appeal of Development Review Board Decisions; Chapter 450. Enforcement Procedures; Section 451. Type of Ordinance; Section 452. Fines; Section 453. Applicability; Section 454. Action; PART 5. DEFINITIONS; Chapter 500. Use of Terms; Section 501. Interpretation; Chapter 510. Defined Terms

**Geographic Area Affected:** Entire Town of Westford.

**Location Where Proposed Map Amendments May be Examined:** Copies of the proposed Westford Land Use & Development Regulations are available at the Westford Town Office, 1713 VT Route 128, Westford, Vermont or may be viewed on the Town of Westford's website at [www.westfordvt.us](http://www.westfordvt.us).

Dated at Westford, Vermont this 8<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2015.  
Jeremy Berger, Westford Planning Commission Chair



## Westford's 4<sup>th</sup> of July

Westford Common  
Parade, Fun, Food  
11:00am – 1:30pm  
Saturday, July 4<sup>th</sup>



Parade line up 10:30 am @ Town Garage  
Parade Start 11:00 am

**40<sup>TH</sup> ARMY BAND – VT GUARD MARCHING BAND**

Local Music by Local Artist  
Library Book Sale  
Strawberry Shortcake Sale  
Duck Race

Everyone is invited!!  
**Come join us on the Green!!**

## UNITED CHURCH OF WESTFORD SUMMER SCHEDULE

No Sunday services for the months of July and August. Sunday Services will resume the Sunday after Labor Day weekend, September 13<sup>th</sup>.

The church **will remain open** all summer for weddings, funerals, food shelf and community functions as needed.

Rev. Katherine Arthaud is available for phone calls, visits, weddings, baptisms, funerals etc. Call 802-233-8639 if you would like to speak with her for any reason (email: [karthaud@aol.com](mailto:karthaud@aol.com)).

During our 2 month suspension of Sunday Services, we ask for continued financial support of the church's operating expenses. Send checks to: UCW, PO Box 53, Westford, VT 05494. Thank you.

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## Westford Public Library's Fourth of July Book Sale - 9am-1pm

\$5 per bag of books!

Shop early and then come back for more!

Library services will not be offered on the Fourth of July - we will be open 9-1 for the Book Sale only.

## Super Helpers needed! Book Sale Setup and Cleanup Volunteers Needed:

Setup: 7/3 starting at 5pm

Cleanup: 7/4 starting at 1pm

All helpers get a FREE bag of books!

Let Bree know if you can help!



**Fourth of July Float:** Join up for fun! Float Building: July 1 3-6pm, you do not need to attend this to be on the float. Riders entering 1st grade and older **NEED TO SIGN UP AT THE LIBRARY BY JULY 1st TO RIDE THE FLOAT.** If you are riding the float, meet at the town garage at 10:30am. All riders will get a goodie bag. Thank you to J. Hutchins, Inc. for pulling our float.



## July 18 - Local Heroes: Firefighters 10:30-Noon at the Westford School



The Westford Fire Dept. will be on hand teach us fire safety and **LET US SHOOT THE HOSE!** They will also be teaching adults how to use fire extinguishers so that you can be a hero at your home! **(THIS EVENT IS AT THE SCHOOL - MEET THERE)**

## Library Hours

Wednesday:	1-7pm
Thursday:	10am-7pm
Friday:	1-7pm
Saturday:	10am-2pm



## \*MONDAY\* July 13 - K9 Dog Heroes 5:30-6:30 on the Common

Join Cpl. David Dewey and K9 Tazor of the Colchester Police Department - Vermont's Police K9 program has

over 40 dogs working in all parts of the state. K9s help their human partners sniff out drugs, catch bad guys, and look for missing and lost children. Chittenden County has several of these K9 teams. Come check out a few of them and see what they can do. **(NOTE THE SPECIAL DAY - DURING THE FARMER'S MKT.)**

## July 24 Super Hero Obstacle Course 4:30-5:30pm

Join us for a good time as super coach, Danielle Vierling, leads us in a heroic relay and obstacle course. From dressing like a super hero to moving like one, you are sure to have a great time. On the Common.



## Early Literacy Storytime :Birth to Pre-School Every Thursday at 11am No registration required!

\*7/2/15: Theme: School/Library Heroes

\*7/9/15: Theme: Hometown Heroes

\*7/16/15: Theme: Storybook Heroes

\*7/23/15: Theme: Heroes to the Rescue

\*7/30/15: Eco Heroes

Storytimes marked with a (\*) are considered part of the Summer Reading Program. Storytime consists of several stories around a theme, as well as a theme-based craft. All ages and levels of attention are encouraged to come. Don't worry if they fidget - they are still getting a lot out of it!

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## July Library Events

- July 1 - Float Building 3-6pm Sign up to ride the float by this date.
  - July 2 - Cooking with Superfoods: 6:30-7:30pm
  - July 3 - Book Sale Setup 5-8pm
  - July 4 - Book Sale 9am-1pm, Parade meet at 10:30am at the Town Garage
  - July 8 - Super Curious: Toys 5-7pm
  - July 9 - Cooking with Superfoods: 6:30-7:30pm
  - July 10 - Super Spy Codes and Compasses 4:30-6:30pm (see SRP brochure for details)
  - July 11 - Super Spy Codes and Compasses 10:30-Noon (see SRP brochure for details)
  - (MONDAY) July 13 - K9 Dog Heroes 5:30-6:30pm on the Common
  - July 15 - Super Curious: Household Electronics 5-7pm
  - July 16 - Eco Owls w/MC Baker 6:30-7:30pm (for ages 9 and up)
  - July 18 - Local Heroes: Firefighters at Westford School 10:30-Noon
  - July 22 - Super Curious: Computers 5-7pm
  - July 23 - E-textiles: Light up Lightening Bolt (open to ages 9 and up - pre-registration required)
  - July 24 - Super Hero Obstacle Course 4:30-5:30pm on the Common
  - July 29 - Super Curious: Lightening Bolt Badges 5-7pm
  - July 30 - Wire Baskets w/MC Baker 6:30-7:30pm (9 and up or with an adult)
  - July 31 - Super Groovy Washer Jewelry 4:30-6:30pm (see SRP brochure for details)
- Storytime every Thursday 11am

The Westford Conservation Commission and the Westford Public Library present a Summer Story Walk set up (July-August) on the town trails behind the school. Fun for all ages! Great exercise for your body and mind!



### Summer Reading for Adults? Yes!

Fill out a raffle ticket for every book you read this summer & you could win a \$25 City Market gift card or a superhero coffee mug and coffee .

### Super Curious: What's Inside?

Wednesdays 5-7pm

Three part series where we take apart stuff to see what makes it work. Great for any age.

7/8 - Toys

7/15 - Household Electronics

7/22 - Computers

7/29 - With all of knowledge, we will make light up lightening badges using LEDs, copper tape and coin cell batteries.

ATTEND ONE OR ALL!



### Tween/Teen Thursdays: 6:30-7:30pm

These events are designed for older kids (9+ are welcome, younger must have an adult)

7/2 - Cooking with Superfoods: Kale

7/9 - Cooking with Superfoods: Yogurt

7/16 - Eco Owls with MC Baker (9+ only)

7/23 - Special Time (7-9pm) and Sign up Needed: E-Textiles: Light up Lightening Bolt

7/30 - Wire Baskets with MC Baker

Description of all events are in the Summer Reading Brochure.

### FREE SUMMER FUN!

Passes are available for a 3 day check out

Passes may not be reserved

Vermont State Parks - day use (2 passes)

Vermont Historic Sites

Shelburne Farms (2 passes)

Shelburne Museum

ECHO Center (2 passes) (\$4/person)

Birds of Vermont Museum

American Precision Museum (Windsor, VT)

The Building Bright Futures Playgroup does not meet at the library during the summer. For summer info, contact Janice Hunt at [Janice@tfish.net](mailto:Janice@tfish.net)

There is also no CVAA Tai Chi at the Library during the summer. The class will hopefully return in the Fall.

The Library is **no longer accepting donations** of books, audiobooks, and DVDs for our annual Fourth of July Book Sale. Please come support the Library at our annual Fourth of July book sale from 9am-1pm. \$5 for a bag of book! Thank you to community for all your wonderful support!

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## Summer Reading at a Glance

- June 17 - Registration for SRP begins  
June 17 - High Flying Superheroes 4:30-6:30pm  
June 19 - SRP Kick-off Concert: The Swing Peepers 6:30-7:30pm  
June 20 - High Flying Superheroes 10:30-Noon  
June 24 - Rainbow Water Rescue Dog Show 5:30-6:30pm  
June 26 - Masks & Shields 4:30-6:30pm  
June 27 - Masks & Shields 10:30-Noon  
July 1 - Float Building 3-6pm  
July 2 - Cooking with Superfoods: Kale 6:30-7:30pm  
July 4 - Book Sale 9am-1pm  
July 4 - Parade 11am - meet at 10:30am  
July 8 - Super Curious - Toys - 5-7pm  
July 9 - Cooking with Superfoods: Yogurt 6:30-7:30pm  
July 10 - Super Spy 4:30-6:30pm  
July 11 - Super Spy 10:30-Noon  
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July 18 - Local Heroes: Firefighters (at Westford School) 10:30-Noon  
July 22 - Super Curious - Computers 5-7pm  
July 23 - E-Textiles: Light up Lightening Bolt Headpieces 7-9pm  
July 24 - Superhero Obstacle Course 4:30-5:30pm  
July 29 - Lightening Badges 5-7pm  
July 30 - Wire Baskets with MC Baker 6:30-7:30pm  
July 31 - Super Groovy Washer Necklaces 4:30-6:30pm  
August 1 - Super Groovy Washer Necklaces 10:30-Noon  
August 7 - End of the SRP Ice Cream Party and Raffle Drawing 5-6pm

Storytime every Thursday at 11am

## Raffles and Prizes

**Kid's Raffle (0-8years old)**  
Raffle tickets given for coming to Library events and for every ten books recorded on reading log!  
Prizes: Essex Cinemas, Buttered Noodles, and lots more!

### **Tween Raffle (9-12 years old)**

Raffle tickets given for coming to Library events and for every three books recorded on your reading log!

Prizes: Essex Cinemas, Spare Time, and more!

### **Teen Raffle (13-18 years old)**

Raffle tickets given for coming to Library events and for every book read.

Prizes: Essex Cinemas, \$25 UMall gift card

### **Adult Raffle (19 and older)**

Raffle tickets given for every book read during the summer.

Prize: \$25 City Market gift card

## 2015 Summer Reading Program



Every Hero has a Story!  
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Westford Public Library!  
June 17 - August 7



Westford Public Library

Hours: Wed 1-7, Th 10-7, Fr 1-7, Sat 10-2

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Bree Drapa, Librarian

## Every Hero has a Story!

Visit the library beginning June 17 to sign up for the Summer Reading Program! List the books you read (or your family reads) on your reading log, come to programs and be eligible for prizes at the Ice Cream Party (8/7). The more events you attend, the better your chances of winning!

**Find the Superhero!** Find the superhero and win a prize! Visit weekly as the hero moves throughout the library.

Children 9+ may attend all these events without an adult, younger children need to bring an adult. For more information see the Library's Unattended Minor Policy.

### Summer Reading Program Events

June 17 (4:30-6:30) & June 20 (10:30-Noon)- High Flying Superheroes Drop-in anytime to make a fun superhero straw rocket or a balloon powered flyer.

June 19 - Kick Off Concert: The Swing Peepers on the Common 6:30-7:30pm. Family friendly and fun! The Swing Peepers, a vocal-harmony and multi-instrument duo, perform inventive, earth-friendly and interactive songs and stories. The Swing Peepers are lively, improvisational, and endearingly goofy. Bring a picnic and celebrate summer! Brought to you by grants from the VT Dept. of Libraries, the Smith Fund and the Winnie Bell Learned Fund. Great for all ages!

June 24 - Rainbow the Water Rescue Dog Show (on the Common) 5:30-6:30pm Many of you know Rainbow as a great READ dog, but did you know that she is a Newfoundland breed champion, water rescue dog, draft dog and an advanced obedience dog? Do you want to be rescued (on land) by Rainbow? Volunteers needed!

June 26 (4:30-6:30pm) & June 27 (10:30-Noon) - Superhero Masks and Shields Every hero needs to protect his secret identity. Drop-in to make your very own mask and shield.

July 1 - Float Building 3-6pm Help create our SUPER float! **Sign up at the library required to ride the float by this date.** All ages welcome and goodie bags will be given to all riders. You do not need to attend this event to ride the float.

July 2 - Cooking with Superfoods: Kale 6:30-7:30pm Want to learn to cook something delicious and super healthy? We will make and try several recipes. Ideal for tweens/teens. **Sponsored by Sweet Clover Market**

### July 4 - Parade and Library Book Sale

Meet at the Town Garage at 10:30am, parade at 11am. **All riders need to have signed a Summer Reading Program permission slip.**

Library Book Sale 9am-1pm (\$5 per bag)

July 8 - Super Curious - What's Inside This? - Toys 5-7pm The first in a three part series - we will take apart and learn what makes common objects work. Great for any age, especially those who like to take things apart.

July 9 - Cooking with Superfoods: Yogurt 6:30-7:30pm Want to learn to cook something delicious and super healthy? We will make and try several recipes. Ideal for tweens/teens. **Sponsored by Sweet Clover Market**

July 10 (4:30-6:30pm) & July 11 (10:30-Noon) - Super Spy: Codes and Compasses Spies use all kinds of gadgets to keep their plans secret. Go on a scavenger hunt and see if you can crack the secret code - you get to keep the decoder and compass!

\*MONDAY\* July 13 - K9 Dog Heroes 5:30-6:30pm on the Common Join Cpl. David Dewey and K9 Tazor of the Colchester Police Department - VT's Police K9 program has over 40 dogs working in all parts of the state. K9s help their human partners sniff out drugs, catch bad guys, and look for missing and lost children. Chittenden County has several of these K9 teams. Come check out a few of them and see what they can do.

July 15 - Super Curious - Household Electronics 5-7pm We will take apart common objects and see what makes them work. Great for any age, especially those who like to take things apart.

July 16 - Unmask your Creativity with MC Baker: Eco Owls 6:30-7:30pm You know it's going to be good when super artist, MC Baker, is at the library! She has created an owl out of recycled cardboard and wire that will blow you away! **Due to the complexity of the project this program is for ages 9 and up.**

July 18 - Local Heroes: Firefighters 10:30-Noon at the Westford School The Westford Fire Dept. will be on hand to teach us fire safety and LET US SHOOT THE HOSE! They will also be teaching adults how to use fire extinguishers so that you can be a hero at your home!

July 22 - Super Curious - Computers 5-7pm The last in the three part series, we'll focus on what's inside a computer and, of course, take it apart! Open to all ages.

July 23 - E-textiles: Lightening Bolt Headpiece 7-9pm **Pre-registration is required, open to ages 10 and up.** Using LEDs and conductive thread, we will sew a light up lightening bolt. Can be attached to a headband, armband or worn as is. Bring a headband if possible.

July 24 Super Hero Obstacle Course 4:30-5:30pm Join us for a good time as super coach, Danielle Vierling, leads us in a heroic relay and obstacle course. From dressing like a super hero to moving like one, you are sure to have a great time. On the Common.

July 29 Lightening Bolt Badoes 5-7pm Drop-in anytime to make a light up lightening bolt with copper tape, LEDs and a coin cell battery. Great way to have fun and learn circuitry. Perfect for the Super Curious crowd. All ages welcome.

July 30 - Unmask your Creativity with MC Baker: Wire Baskets 6:30-7:30pm Super artist, MC Baker, leads us through making a basket out of twisted wire. **Due to the complexity of the project this program is for ages 9 and up (or younger if with an adult).**

July 31 (4:30-6:30pm) & August 1 (10:30-Noon) Super Groovy Washer Jewelry Be a super friend and make a necklace for you and one for a friend, using wire, washers, and nail polish.

August 7 - End of the Summer Reading Program Ice Cream Party and Raffle Drawing 5-6pm Who doesn't love ice cream? And prizes? Help yourself to a sundae feast, and give yourself one more chance at a raffle ticket! We will pass out certificates and do all drawings (kids, tween, teen, and adult). You do not need to be present to win.

**Be a Math Hero!**  
**Add a little math to your summer with Bedtime Math's Summer of Numbers Pick up a math log and get started!**

**Math will never be the same!**



HERO STORYTIME! Thursdays 11am  
For ages birth - six.

6/18: I am a Hero

6/25: Family Heroes

7/2: Heroes at School

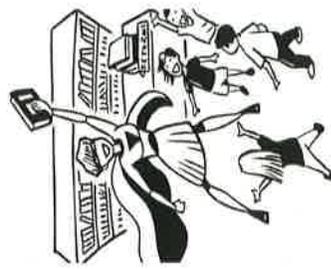
7/9: Hometown Heroes

7/16: Storybook Heroes

7/23: Heroes to the Rescue!

7/30: Eco Heroes

8/6: Animal Heroes



## SCHOOL BOARD NOTES

**RED (Regional Education District) Study:** As many of you know, the school district is engaged in the study of forming a RED with Essex Town and Essex Junction. The 18 member committee has been meeting since March to learn more about how the school districts operate and what opportunities could be improved and efficiencies found if the school districts were merged. The next two meetings of the committee will be held on June 25<sup>th</sup> and June 30<sup>th</sup> at Essex High School beginning at 6:30 pm. The goal is to finish the draft Articles of Agreement by the end of June so they can be reviewed by the Agency of Education over the summer. This fall, the committee will bring their work to the communities in forums to be conducted in all the towns. Martha Heath and Heidi Coppola are Westford's representatives on the committee.

A simple survey has been developed to inform the communities about the study and to help the committee understand what questions the committee should be prepared to answer at the fall forums. If you have not yet taken the survey, we encourage you to do so. The survey can be found online at:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/?sm=zY8Z%2fIQP40%2bBAIFwo9rIAg%3d%3d> **If you cannot access the survey electronically and would like to fill one out, please contact Martha Heath at 893-1291 and she will arrange for you to receive one.**

Given the defeat of a unified union proposal a number of years ago, many have asked why we would be studying this again. Here are the reasons:

- The effect of declining enrollments on tax rates in Westford will very likely necessitate cutting programs/reducing quality in order to pass school budgets. The legislature has made the hold harmless provisions more onerous although districts like ours that are engaged in a RED study will stay under the old rules while the study is ongoing. In a larger district there would be a much smaller effect when enrollment declines by a few students.
- The equalized tax rates in the three communities are now virtually the same.
- Incentives are now available both to cover transition costs and to reduce tax rates for districts that merge.
- A limited school choice law was enacted since the last time which means some Westford high school students might still be able to attend a high school other than EHS (Essex High School).
- The state passed a law this session that will likely mean Westford will be forced to merge with another district in the future. This will also be true if Essex and Essex Junction decide to merge and Westford decides not to join in the new school district. Since the majority of Westford students attend Essex High School, this merger would provide the strongest pre-K through 12 continuum for our students.

The RED study committee has developed a set of questions and answers that can be accessed electronically. Since some of you may not have electronic access, I thought it would be helpful to publish them here.

### 1. **What is a Regional Education District?**

A Regional Education District (RED) is one type of Unified School District (USD) created by the voluntary merger of multiple districts into a unified district providing education at all grade levels (pre-K through 12). Under new legislation in 2015 (H. 361), communities that vote to merge into a unified district by June 30, 2016 are eligible for additional incentives. The RED Study Committee is examining the full range of available unified district structures and timetables to see what makes the most sense for our community at this time. Read more about REDs and Vermont's Act 153 and Act 156 at the Agency of Education (AOE) website.

### 2. **Why are we studying the unification of school districts in Essex Junction, Westford and Essex Town?**

We are studying unification in order to examine whether it can positively affect our ability to meet student educational needs while spending taxpayer dollars wisely.

### 3. **What is the process for deciding whether to unify our districts?**

The RED Study Committee must study and prepare a report that address several subjects, including the grades to be operated, debt, transitioning of responsibilities, and the organization of the new school board. All Committee meetings are open, and public comment is invited. The Committee is interested in the input of all community members—students, parents, taxpayers, and educators. If the Committee recommends unification, the Vermont Agency of Education (AOE) would have to approve the recommendation prior to submission to the voters. Finally, the voters in each of the three towns would vote on the proposal.

4. **We studied merging in 2007, and decided not to. What's different this time around?**

A series of increases in the state base education tax rate has made it clear that the way education is currently organized in Vermont is getting more and more expensive while serving a shrinking population of students, and it is worth exploring all avenues to cost savings that also have the potential to preserve or expand educational opportunities. Our three towns also have a lot more in common than they did 10 years ago, such as more similar tax rates, and a series of initiatives to share services between Essex Junction and Essex Town.

5. **How is education currently organized in our towns?**

Each of the three towns elects a school board that has responsibility for local elementary education. These are the Essex Town School Board, the Westford School Board, and the Essex Junction Prudential Committee. The U#46 School Board has members from Essex Junction and Essex Town and is responsible for Essex High School and the Center for Technology, Essex. The Chittenden Central Supervisory Union (CCSU) also has a board with members drawn from the Westford, Prudential (Essex Junction) and U#46 Boards to decide overarching issues. Each of the town boards separately prepare and adopt budgets, and perform many of the functions of administering their respective schools. Many important and costly functions, however, are administered in parallel at CCSU and in Essex Town—including a district superintendent, senior administrators, special education, curriculum, and negotiations with teacher and staff unions.

The three towns have a total of 10 schools:

- Essex Town operates Essex Elementary, Founders, and Essex Middle School.
- Westford operates the Westford School.
- Essex Junction operates Summit Street, Hiawatha, Fleming, and Albert D. Lawton Middle School.
- Union #46 (Essex Town and EJ) operates Essex High School and the Center for Technology, Essex.

Our three towns serve nearly four thousand students. We employ approximately 875 fulltime equivalent (FTE) employees. Our communities' combined education spending now exceeds fifty-four million dollars.

6. **What happens if the districts decide not to unify this time?**

New legislation (H. 361) requires all districts in Vermont that do not already meet the AOE's desired characteristics (size and uniform education of all students in each grade pre-K to 12) to explore unification. If we do not merge voluntarily, our towns would need to conduct a self-study and make a case for why the current systems serve students better than a unified district. The school boards would also be required to meet with other boards and discuss collaboration. The AOE would then decide whether to mandate a merger in 2019.

7. **How could unification improve on the present structure of education in Essex Junction, Essex Town and Westford?**

A merger would create a single school district and elected board responsible for all grades, pre-K through twelve. The unified school board would assume all of the responsibilities of the supervisory union.

- A unified district could streamline the complicated school board and administrative structure outlined above.
- A unified district could expand educational options for students (e.g. sharing equipment, technology and staff, flexibility in building use).
- A unified district could provide cost savings in the operation of our pre-K-12 schools. A few examples: one audited financial statement instead of five; contract with a single provider for trash or food service; eliminate billing back and forth for services provided by one member district to another.

8. **Would I be able to address the unified school board directly if I have an issue?**

The board of the new unified district would be elected by the voters of the three towns at the same time the merger is voted on. All board meetings would be open to the public. Contact information for the board will be available on the unified district web site.

9. **Will a unified district change the programs and/or services in my local school?**

Our goal is to offer the best learning opportunities in all ten of the schools. Specific decisions regarding which programs/services can be reasonably offered across the unified district would have to be decided by the new school board. The new school board will support any efforts to replicate best practices and successful programs. It is likely that there will be some local differences among school buildings in a unified district. For example, an individual building may want to pilot a new program or service.

**10. Will my local school be closed under a merger?**

We do not anticipate closing any of the schools in Essex Junction, Essex Town or Westford. Budgetary pressures based on per-pupil spending that have caused Westford residents to be concerned about the sustainability of their school would be lessened in a larger district with more pupils. (In the big picture of Vermont schools, all our 10 schools are reasonably sized.) If the unified district ever decides to close a school in the more distant future, the town has right of first refusal to buy back the school for \$1 (plus certain repayment of improvements or aid mandated by state law).

**11. Will tax rates go up or down?**

Tax rates in the three towns will be less volatile since expenses are spread over a broader tax base. The state has approved various incentives worth millions of dollars to support mergers, which will cover any up-front merger costs (transitions in payroll systems, new contract negotiations, etc.) and may even cause a lower tax rate. In the longer term, the merger's administrative efficiencies should help to slow down cost increases.

**12. What transportation services will be provided?**

While the RED Study Committee can make recommendations, the elected school board of the unified district would have the final say on this matter, and is required by law to take into consideration issues like equal access to education and the state of local roads. It is possible that we would see increased transportation offerings, such as buses for Westford students in grades 9-12 to attend Essex High and buses for some or all Essex Junction students.

The new school board would not be required to offer exactly the same services in all three towns if local needs differ. Even if busing were offered to all students in the unified district, the cost is estimated to be significantly smaller than the savings realized in other areas, such as duplicate superintendent's offices and Westford high school tuition.

**13. Will school choice change in a unified district?**

The most likely school choice picture in a unified district involves all students in the district attending Essex High School and being eligible for limited school choice under Act 77, which allows a certain number of students from each high school to access places at other public high schools in the state tuition-free. Currently, Westford students have a more expansive school choice system, but each student must be tuitioned at considerable, and constantly fluctuating, cost to town taxpayers. Current Westford grade 9-12 students attending schools other than Essex High may be grandfathered during the merger process. Essex High students currently elect to use less than half of their Act 77 choice slots, so there will be plenty of opportunity for Westford students to request school choice in this manner. In the younger grades, a unified district has the potential to provide expanded school choice across the district in the future.

**14. How will I continue to have an impact on what happens in my local school?**

It should be easier to influence policies surrounding local education when there is only one board rather than an overlapping series of boards with a patchwork of responsibilities. School board members will still be elected by the voters from each town. Building-level staffing should remain the same (principals, etc.). Community volunteering will continue to be encouraged at each school.

Additional information about the RED study can be found on the committee's website at: [www.redstudy.wordpress.com](http://www.redstudy.wordpress.com)

**Planning Day:** The board will hold its annual planning day on June 30<sup>th</sup>. The major topic of discussion will be the next steps in following up to the Visioning Summit that was held in January.

Martha Heath  
Mark Drapa  
Andre Roy  
Kim Phinney

## 8<sup>th</sup> GRADE GRADUATES

Jason Michael Angelos  
Peregrine Baum Ibarra  
Ian Jeffrey Bennett  
Rachael Elizabeth Bombardier  
Hannah Renee Brisson  
Timothy Wheelwright Cobb  
Piper Noella Desorcie  
Olivia Adele Doty  
Hailey Beth Freeman

Jackson Colin Garrow  
Samuel Clay Giroux  
Edward Charles Green IV  
Emma Chatot Hazel  
Lilith Fae Henshaw  
Alex Patrick Hill  
Cameron Cormier Lamphere  
Phoebe Therese McBride  
Noah Kym Palker

Maria Mudra Parker  
Keshon Austin Peters  
Aidan Bayne Quimby  
Austin E. Trask  
Allyson Marie Wescott  
Avery Annette Wischart  
Madeline Eileen Young

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### 8TH GRADE GRADUATION AWARDS JUNE 15, 2015

**The Hazen Wood Award** - Awarded to the students who have shown the most effort and perseverance in school work during the 7th and 8th grade: ***Hannah Renee Brisson***

**The Citizenship Award** - Awarded to the students who exhibit the truest qualities of citizenship. The display of these qualities enhance the entire school climate. The individual's respect, contribution, and stewardship over school and personal issues enables positive feelings to carry on - one day to the next: ***Jackson Colin Garrow***

**The Academic Excellence Award** - Awarded to the students who show academic excellence according to report card grades during their 6th, 7th, and 8th grade years: ***Piper Noella Desorcie, Phoebe Therese McBride, Olivia Adele Doty, Avery Annette Wischart, Emma Chatot Hazel, Madeline Eileen Young***

**The Katherine & Wilson Howrigan Award** - Awarded to the student(s) who have worked for their peers during their 8th grade year: ***Aidan Bayne Quimby***

**The Betty Fay Award/Helping Hands Award** - Given to the students of grade eight who exhibit the most genuine desire to help others: ***Allyson Marie Westcott***

**The Sportsmanship Award** - Awarded to the students who evidence good sportsmanship when involved in team sports: ***Hailey Beth Freeman, Edward Charles Green IV***

**The Joayn Larson Award** - Given to students who exhibit the following outstanding qualities: patience, unselfishness, and compassion for others. This award is donated by the Westford Home Dem. group in memory of Joayn Larson: ***Hailey Beth Freeman, Samuel Clay Giroux***

**The Judith DeNova Personal Conviction Award** - Given to the Students who have learned to dig deep to find the necessary strength and courage to hang in there when things get tough: ***Keshon Austin Peters, Allyson Marie Wescott***

**Band Certificate** - ***Ian Jeffrey Bennett, Hailey Beth Freeman, Piper Noella Desorcie, Jackson Colin Garrow, Olivia Adele Doty***

**The Betty Fay Memorial Scholarship Award** - The Betty Fay Memorial Scholarship was established in 2003 in order to honor and celebrate a life that was devoted to education and service to the community. It is in this spirit that two graduating Westford High School Seniors who will be pursuing a higher education are awarded a \$500 scholarship. The scholarship is sponsored by the Westford Volunteer Fire Department and Auxiliary: ***Morgan Quimby***

## CONGRATULATIONS!!!!

**MISSION STATEMENT**

July 2015

The Westford Recreation Department was created to provide recreational, educational, athletic, cultural, and entertainment activities to all Westford residents and neighbors. We strive to offer programs for a wide variety of ages, abilities and interests. We depend on community input, support and volunteers to make these programs successful.

**Coordinator's Corner-**

We look forward to seeing you all at our Perfect Scoop Ice Cream and Hot Dog Booth at the 4th of July Celebration on the Town Common. Purchase tickets for summer fun parks, enjoy lunch and dessert and sign up for summer soccer if you haven't yet!

If you have any Rec questions/suggestions, please contact me at (c) 338-8235 or WestfordVTRec@gmail.com.

*Yours in Recreation~ Heather Armata*



Our Next Committee Meeting is August 18h.

Please let us know if you would like to attend, and we will put you on the agenda!

**Week Long Summer Soccer Camp...August 3rd-7th!!** The camp is located at the Westford Elementary School, runs for 5 days, from 8:30 until 11:30am, and is for Boys and Girls entering grades 3-6 in the fall. You have a new coach this year, Westford Alumni Joe Aiken!! He is excited to be home for the summer and coaching your kids! They will improve their skills through drills, condition and scrimmages. Registration fee is \$55 for the week. Start sending in your registration forms now to secure your child's spot!!! Drop off at town office or scan and email it to WestfordVTRec@gmail.com!! You can call Heather at 338-8235 with any questions.



**SUMMER SOCCER**

**Who:** Pre-K to Grade 2  
**When:** Monday nights, starting July 6th and running until August 10th  
**Time:** 6-7:00pm  
**Where:** Westford Elementary School  
**Fee:** \$25/child and a max family fee of \$60  
 Basic skills and fun games are the focus, with mentoring and further skill development for kids with more soccer knowledge. The primary goal is to keep kids moving and developing a strong sense of sportsmanship while having summer fun!

**4th of July Celebration!**

The Perfect Scoop Shop will be back on the Common selling ice cream, hot dogs, chips and water. Please come support us and enjoy lunch and dessert at the same time!!

**COMING BACK FOR A 2nd Year.....4th of July, 4 mile Run or Walk for \$4!** Start location will be the Covered Bridge and start time will be 8:30am. A healthy way to get your 4th of July celebration started!

Registration the morning of the race at 8:00am on the bridge. Parade is at 11:00, so please plan accordingly when parking.



**Recreation Department Committee Members**

Heather Armata, Coordinator	338-8235	Danielle Vierling	871-9404
Maureen Carpenter	893-5096	Noel Boutin	878-3632
Martha Bennett	878-9269	Meredith Irish	373-9980
Greg Baker	324-5537	Email: <a href="mailto:WestfordVTRec@gmail.com">WestfordVTRec@gmail.com</a>	

**KEEP MOVING THIS SUMMER! WE HAVE MANY CHOICES!!**

**Integral YOGA w/Tiffany** Start off your new year with yoga!  
 Every **WEDNESDAY** evening, now from 6:30-8pm at the Red Brick Meeting House. \$13 drop-in fee; \$100 for 10-class punch card.  
  
 Contact Tiffany at tiffshannon@gmail.com. Watch Front Porch Forum for updates/cancellations.

**ZUMBA FITNESS!**  
  
**Tuesdays** at the RBMH from 5:30-6:30pm  
 Fee: \$5/Class and your **First class is FREE!**  
 Heather Sanders will take you through great music & fun moves that will get your heart moving. Modifications available for all fitness levels. Drop-in class...no pre-registration required! Heather offers a 5-class punch card for \$20, giving you one class free and a 10-class punch card for \$40, giving you 2 classes free!

**Sangha Yoga with Anne**  
**Tuesday evenings from 7-8:00pm** join Anne Whitney at the Red Brick Meeting House for some restorative or flow yoga....whatever the group is feeling up to that evening! Also, Anne is offering Yoga on the Grass, **Friday mornings from 7:30-8:30am** (weather permitting, otherwise you'll be in the Red Brick). \$10/class or by donation. You may call 802-598-6299 or email aeorellana@yahoo.com with any questions. All ages and abilities wel-



**SUMMER LACROSSE!!!**  
 Open to players entering Kindergarten through Grade 6 in the Fall!!  
 When: **Wednesday nights @ WES fields from 6-7:00pm.** The program runs from June 17th to August 12th w/no practice on July 29th. Only \$25/player with a family max of \$60. Coach Brent will keep your kids moving and improving their skills! Have your kids try something new this summer!!



**DISCOUNT TICKETS TO NEW ENGLAND ADVENTURE PARKS!!!!**  
 The Recreation Department is once again offering discount tickets to several adventure parks and not only do you save money, but you also support our programming!!!  
**The following are available for purchase at the Westford Town Offices (878-4587), during normal business hours (and will be for sale at our 4th of July tent!):**

**Great Escape Adult (over 48 inches) Tickets: \$40/ticket** (normally \$56.99 at gate)  
**Great Escape Parking Passes: \$16** (normally \$20.00)  
**Bromley Adventure Park: \$35/ticket** (normally \$45.00 each)  
**Six Flags New England Adult (over 54 inches): \$45/ticket** (normally \$59.99 at gate)

**NEW THIS YEAR!! ARBORTREK CANOPY ADVENTURES in JEFFERSONVILLE!!**  
**TREE TOP & CLIMBING: \$49/ticket** (normally \$60 each)  
**CLIMBING ONLY: \$15** (normally \$20 each)



# WESTFORD RECREATION DEPARTMENT – REGISTRATION FORM

NAME (Parents) \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ TOWN \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL ADDRESS (only to be used for WRD mailings) \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ CELL/WORK PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

EMERGENCY CONTACT \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

DOCTOR'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

Please list **medical conditions**, physical limitations, allergies, or restrictions WRD should be aware of:

NAME	PROGRAM	GRADE	T-SHIRT SIZE	FEE
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____

**TOTAL:** \_\_\_\_\_

**How did you hear about this program? Please circle:**      Front Porch Forum      Town Newsletter

Parent/Neighbor    Westford Elementary School    VTGrandpa.com    Rec Dept. Member    Other \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*\*Please contact a Recreation Department member if your financial situation is preventing you from signing yourself, or your child, up for a program. Scholarships are available.\*\*\***

**RELEASE/WAVIER AGREEMENT:**

I am fully aware of the inherent risk, and give my consent for the above named applicant(s) to participate in the program(s) listed above. I hold harmless the Town of Westford, Westford School, their employees, elected officials, and/or any volunteers or instructors from any and all liability from any injury, claim, costs or loss of services which may be incurred by me, or us, or our minor children on account of participation in said program(s). Permission is hereby granted for me or us, or my child(ren) to receive emergency treatment if needed and I authorize the attending physician to administer any needed medical attention. Furthermore, I certify that I, or we, or my child(ren) are in good health and that there are no limitations to my/our participation except in writing above. I have read this document carefully and sign it voluntarily with full knowledge of its significance.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Send registration with check payable to:  
WESTFORD RECREATION DEPARTMENT  
Town of Westford, 1713 VT Rt.128, Westford, VT 05494**

# WESTFORD SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

## On the Common



### **STARLINE RHYTHM BOYS - Sunday July 12**

*Spirited country and juke joint sounds, echoing from the Tennessee Hills and Texas Honkytonks of the '40s and '50s*

### **THE FIZZ - Sunday July 26**

*Local talent! Rock from Allmans to Zevon, plus rockin' originals*

### **MAD MOUNTAIN SCRAMBLERS - Sunday August 9**

*A Green Mountain-based bluegrass band featuring a wide spectrum from this branch of American Roots.*

Free Sunday concerts, 7:00 to 8:00 pm. Bring a blanket or lawn chair.

Rain location is the Red Brick Meeting House.

Co-sponsored by the Westford Library, Westford Recreation Dept. and the Westford Parenting/Education Committee.